

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY- HIT MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (MAR)

MAR Application Deadline

Fall 2027: June 15, 2027

Health Information Technology (HIT) is a limited-admission, 2-year degree program.

15 Students are admitted each year for the fall semester. Applicants are admitted on a first-qualified, first-accepted basis. Students who are certain they want to enroll in Health Information Technology are encouraged to apply when the application opens.

There is a time limit for completion of the program. You must meet the minimum requirements to apply. Meeting minimum requirements does **not** guarantee admission.

You may apply for a maximum of three selective admissions programs at the same time and must review the MAR packet for each program to confirm that you meet each program's requirements.

Application Checklist

The following items must be completed to apply to the HIT Program:

☐	Submit the Forsyth Tech Application
☐	Submit Official Transcripts
☐	Meet Minimum Requirements for English, Math, and Biology
☐	Complete All Related Courses (Recommended, but Optional)
☐	Attend a Pre-Program Advising & Planning Session (Optional)
☐	Submit the MAR Application

Step 1 - Submit the Forsyth Tech Application

You must [apply](#) if you are a new student.

Keep in mind you need to apply a few days before the deadline to allow time for application processing and creation of your Forsyth Tech account, which is required to submit a MAR application.

You must [apply](#) if you are a former student and it has been over a year since you last applied to or were enrolled at Forsyth Tech.

You do not need to apply if you are a currently enrolled student.

Step 2 - Submit Official Transcripts

You must submit:

- Official high school or GED transcript for placement requirements
- Official college transcripts for related courses
 - Undergraduate courses only; no graduate-level courses
- Official AP scores from the College Board, if applicable

There are three options for submitting transcripts:

1. Submit transcripts electronically via a secure service by emailing admissions@forsythtech.edu
2. Drop off paper transcripts in a sealed envelope to the Admissions and Records Office on Main Campus
3. Mail transcripts to the following address:
Forsyth Technical Community College
ATTN: Admissions
2100 Silas Creek Pkwy
Winston-Salem NC 27103-5197

Step 3 - Meet Minimum Requirements for English, Math, and Biology

You must demonstrate college-readiness in English and math through one of the following methods

College English Readiness	College Math Readiness
Completed or received transfer credit for ENG-111	Completed or received transfer credit for MAT-143, MAT-152, MAT-171, or higher
Completed or received non-course credit for ENG-011 or ENG-045	Completed or received non-course credit for MAT-043 or MAT-045Q
Earned an associate or bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution	
Graduated from a US high school with an unweighted GPA of 2.4 or higher	
Completed a placement test with appropriate scores. <i>If the placement test was completed at a different college, you are required to submit those scores to Forsyth Tech's Admissions and Records Office.</i>	

You must demonstrate biology competency through one of the following methods:

Biology Competency
Completed college-level BIO course with a grade of C or better
Completed high school-level BIO course with a grade of D or better

If you are uncertain whether you meet any of these requirements, you must consult with your assigned advisor prior to submitting your MAR application.

Step 4 – Complete Related Courses

Completing related courses before applying is not mandatory but is recommended. Completing Anatomy and Physiology before program enrollment is strongly recommended.

Related Courses	Course Names	Credit Hours
BIO-163*	Basic Anatomy & Physiology	5
ENG-111	Writing and Inquiry	3
MAT-152	Statistical Methods I	4
PSY-150	General Psychology	3
COM-231^	Public Speaking	3
CIS-110	Intro to Computers	3
HUM-115	Humanities	3

**BIO-168 and BIO-169 or BIO-165 and BIO-166 will be accepted, but BIO-165/166 must be completed at the same institution to transfer. There is no age limitation on BIO-163, BIO-165/166, or BIO-168/169.*

^ COM-231 is the preferred second ENG option, but ENG-114 is accepted.

Step 5 – Attend a Pre-Program Advising and Planning Session

To learn specifics about the program, students can schedule a pre-program advising and planning meeting. The meeting will be personalized and informative. You can ask questions about HIT classes, scheduling, and clinicals. Contact the program coordinator:

Daveta Strayhorn, Program Coordinator

(336) 734-7664, dstrayhorn@forsythtech.edu

Step 6 – Submit the MAR Application

Use the link below to submit your MAR application and other documentation.

Application Link	Opens	Closes
Fall 2027 MAR Application	March 15, 2027	June 15, 2027

After you've submitted your MAR application, you will be added to the MAR review list.

Your paperwork will be sent to your Forsyth Tech email after your MAR application has been reviewed. The review process runs continuously throughout the application period and may continue for up to a few weeks after the deadline. Please be patient and do not expect immediate notification

How You Are Ranked for Admission:

- This program has limited enrollment. When the MAR application opens, admissions will be offered to qualified applicants in the order their completed applications are received, until all available seats are filled.

Within a few weeks after the deadline, you will be notified of your status: admitted or alternate. If you are admitted to the program, then your admission letter will include further detailed instructions. Be sure to meet all deadlines and requirements outlined in the letter to secure your spot in the program.

If you are placed on the alternate list, you will be contacted by phone or via your Forsyth Tech email if a seat becomes available.

Additional Requirements for Admitted Students

Program Orientation

An online orientation session will be scheduled just before the start of the Fall semester. Students will register for HIT classes and receive additional information during orientation. Accepted students will be notified of the date and time via student email.

Students must complete the HIT Program within four years, starting with the first semester they enroll in HIT courses. Once enrolled in the HIT Program, students who do not take HIT courses for one year will be placed on inactive status. Students who have been placed on inactive status may return to the HIT program once, and they must meet the enrollment and curriculum requirements in effect for the year of their return.

Clinical Clearance

All applicants accepted to HIT will be required to meet the standard Health Technologies criteria for working at a clinical site. **Accepted students will receive information about these requirements at the program orientation.** The required criteria include:

- Health Screening
- Documentation of Immunizations
- Criminal background check and drug testing

These requirements are determined by clinical sites and agencies. Although HIT students do not deliver patient care, the program requires training within a variety of medical/healthcare facilities. During the first semester of the program, students must meet the clinical site clearance criteria. Your information will be reviewed by the clinical site to determine eligibility.

Technical Standards

The Health Sciences Division Technical Standards are not inclusive; however, they provide prospective students with an understanding of the programs' physical and emotional demands. The functions are considered essential requirements for admission, retention, and graduation, as they ensure that students receive safe, competent, and effective treatment interventions. Accepted students will be asked to acknowledge their ability to meet these technical standards. To review the technical standards, click [HERE](#)